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Re:

U.S. Utility Patent Application

Application No. 10/618,299; Filed: July 11, 2003

For: Method of Enhancing Delivery of a Therapeutic Nucleic Acid

Inventors:

Barsoum et al.

Our Ref:

2159.0830001/EJH/SAS

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a);
- 2. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 with Exhibits A-F;
- 3. Submission of Replacement Drawing;
- 4. One (1) Sheet of Replacement Drawings (Figures 6A, 6B, 6C, 6D, and 6E), approval of which is respectfully requested;
- 5. Declaration of Michael Parr Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 with Exhibits 1-2;
- 6. Revocation of Prior Power of Attorney and Appointment of New Attorneys of Record;
- 7. Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b);
- 8. Change of Correspondence Address;
- 9. Request for Change of Attorney Docket Number Pleading;

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- 10. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$1,020.00 to cover extension of time fee; and
- 11. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the attorney docket number for the above-captioned application be changed from "A123 CON" to -- 2159.0830001 --. Kindly use this attorney docket number in any future correspondence addressed to the undersigned.

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Sir:

Submitted herewith is one sheet of Replacement drawings with Figures 6A, 6B, 6C, 6D, and 6E, corresponding to the above-captioned application. Identification of the drawing is provided in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(c). Acknowledgment of the receipt, approval, and entry of these drawing(s) into this application is respectfully requested.

It is not believed that an extension of time is required, other than any already provided herewith. However, if an extension of time is needed to prevent abandonment of the application, then such extension of time is hereby petitioned. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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